

Moose Observations 2013

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Eighteen reports were received of 17 adult and 1 juvenile moose in 4 northern Wisconsin counties in 2013 (Table 1, Figure 1). This was a considerable decrease from the 32 reports received in 2012 and lower than the 25 and 65 reports received in 2011 and 2010, respectively. Vilas County lead all counties with 6 reports, followed by Iron and Oneida (5 reports each), and Forest (1). All reports were from north-central Wisconsin. Some reports were likely of the same animals.

Cows with calves have been reported in each of the past seven years, including one confirmed cow/calf pair reported in 2013 in Iron County, and one potential cow/calf group also reported in Iron County. In addition, it is possible that at least 1 male and 4 moose of unknown sex were observed during spring and 3 males were observed during the rut period in fall.

Table 1. *Reported possible and probably observations of moose in Wisconsin in 2013.*

Date	Number sighted	Tracks sighted	Sex	Section	Township	Range	County	Nearest town
05/06/2013	3A		Unknown	28	42	4E	Iron	Manitowish
05/06/2013	1A		Unknown	10	40	13E	Vilas	Eagle River
06/02/2013	1A		Male	26	36	10E	Oneida	Monico
06/06/2013	1A, 1J		Cow and calf				Iron	Mercer
07/04/2013	1A		Cow	24	40	11E	Vilas	Eagle River
09/09/2013	1A		Male	36	37	14E	Forest	Cavour
09/22/2013	1A		Male	22	42	4E	Iron	Mercer
09/24/2013	1A		Male				Iron	
09/25/2013	1A		Unknown	20	41	7E	Vilas	Boulder Junction
09/26/2013	1A		Male	25	40	7E	Vilas	St. Germain
09/29/2013	1A		Male	9	39	9E	Oneida	Sugar Camp
09/29/2013		1A	Unknown	16	39	8E	Oneida	
10/05/2013	1A		Male	10	42	4E	Iron	Mercer
10/08/2013	1A		Male	15	38	9E	Oneida	Sugar Camp
10/10/2013	1A		Male	23	40	10E	Vilas	Eagle River
10/10/2013	1A		Male					
11/06/2013		1A	Male	19	42	5E	Vilas	Powell
11/29/2013		1A	Unknown	36	39	8E	Oneida	Sugar Camp
17A, 1J		3A	11M 2F 5U	4 counties				



Figure 1. *Reported possible, probable and confirmed moose observations in Wisconsin during 2013.*